IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Enrique V. Barrera, et al.

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NANOTUBES WITH ORGANOSILANES FOR POLYMER

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action ("Final Office Action") having a mailing date of May 9, 2011 with a shortened statutory period for reply of three months set to expire on August 9, 2010, Applicants submit the following remarks and amendments. As said shortened statutory period has now expired, Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time and authorize a charge for a one-month extension of time in the small entity amount of \$65 to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-2426 of Winstead PC (referencing matter 11321-P074WOUS). Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the remarks and amendments set forth in this response as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 8 of this paper.